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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☑ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))
 \$110.00

 ☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))
 \$410.00

 ☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))
 \$930.00

 ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))
 \$1,450.00

 ☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))
 \$1,970.00
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$55.00.
- 🗷 A Fee Transmittal form (PTO/SB/17) is attached to this submission.
- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-2263.

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